

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Transmittal of New Patent Application

Title: **Method and Device for Stabilizing a Patient's Head on a Spine Board**

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Atty Docket No.: FDG101

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Transmitted herewith for filing is the above referenced patent application.

I. This is a new application for a patent.

II. Benefit of prior U.S. Application under 35 USC 119(e) is being claimed. Enclosed is one page of ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION IS CLAIMED.

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III. The following papers are enclosed which are required for obtaining a filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) or 1.153:

18 pages of specification

14 pages of claims

1 page of Abstract

4 sheets of drawings

IV. The Oath or Declaration of Inventorship executed by the inventor is enclosed. The inventor qualifies for small entity status.

V. The inventorship for the claims in this application is as follows: all claims are attributable to the named inventor.

VI. The language of the application is English.

VII. An assignment of the invention has not been made.

VIII. Because the present application does not claim priority to a foreign application, no certified copies thereof are being provided.

IX. Fee Calculation:

A. For a Utility application, the basic fee is \$770.00 plus claim surcharges:

| Filed | Allowed | Extra | Rate | Surcharges |
|-----------------------|---------|-------|------------|------------|
| Total Claims: 22 | - 20 | = 2 | X \$18.00 | \$18.00 |
| Independent Claims: 4 | - 3 | = 1 | X \$86.00 | \$86.00 |
| Multiple Dependent: 0 | - 0 | = 0 | X \$290.00 | \$00.00 |

Total Due: \$892.

X. Small entity is being claimed for this application under 35 U.S.C. 119(e).

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of A above): \$446.

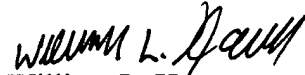
XI. The basic filing fee as indicated in X above is to be charged to Visa. A Credit Card Payment Form is enclosed.

XII. Please charge any deficit or credit any excess fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0684.

XIII. Please send all notices and correspondence to William L. Haynes, an attorney identified in the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Respectfully Submitted,

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**ADDED PAGES FOR APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF
PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION CLAIMED**

XIV. Relate Back

A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)

The specification has been amended by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

“This application claims the benefit of United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/421,891, entitled **Immobilization Device and Method to Safely Permit Transportation of Accident Victims**, filed October 28, 2002.”